Pleasant, with flurries of

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PRICE ONE CENT

FURTHER PROBE FOR **ELECTRIC MONOPOLY** FAVORED BY COUNCIL Last Had Just Left lurning Inilding When Terrific

Information Desired on Great Disparity Between Value of Property for Taxation and its Value as Source of Prolit--Full Taxation of Company's Property Reduced Rate for Public Lighting and Protection For Private Consumers Are Objects Sought.

mon Council is expected to acceptance of the reduced price for take some action tonight relative to lighting at the expense of discontinuing the further investigation of the Electric Lifht monopoly. The administration is pledged to such an investigation of the Electric Lifht monopoly. The administration is pledged to such an investigation of the reduced price for the further investigation of the Electric Lifht monopoly. Upon the other hand the mo- vestigate.

ESTRADA APPEALS

For some mysterious reason cernopoly has submitted a proposed con-tract, in which they offer a reduced the mantel of darkness be thrown

rate for the arc lights used in lighting the streets.

It is not considered probable that the lights be accepted.

It is believed that as a result of

the streets.

It is not considered probable that the Aldermen will adopt the proposed contract until the relations between the city and the company have been for the city and the company have been for the city of the monopoly of the form in the count of the monopoly of the form in the count of the monopoly in the same class. The penalty for any to the same class. The penalty for any to the same class. The penalty for the form of the company have been in the cost to produce the same class. The penalty for the form of the company have been in the cost to produce the same class. The penalty for the form of the company have been the company hav

It is impossible for the city to determine if the company is selling its product at a reasonable price without impossible for the city to determine if the company is selling its product at a reasonable price without impossible for the carbons in the present product at a reasonable price without impossible for the company is.

The company is upon the list of 1963 as having taxable property worth only about \$300,000. If this is the true value of the company has a property worth more than 1900,000 the presence of that it is charging more than a reasonable price. If the many is company has a property worth more than 1900,000 the presence of that values and its property should be accurately ascertained. If it has an investment of a million dolars in excess of its list, which is not regarded as improbable, the discovery of that values and its listen the company has a property and the company has a property worth more than 1900,000 the presence of that values and its listen the company has a property worth more than a reasonable price. If it has an investment of a million dolars in excess of its list, which is not regarded as improbable, the discovery of that values and its listen that the company has a property of the present rate. This would be the case in Springfield by the difference of the company has a property worth more than 1900,000 the presence of that values and its listen that the discovery of that values and its listen that the company is valued for purpose of taxation of \$15,000 the present rate.

This is almost five times the annual reports to the company have to be excessed that the company has the property worth more than 1900,000 the presence of the company is valued for purpose of the register of the company is valued for purpose of the residual two five the president to the form the company is valued for purpose of the next wall so that it was not in the first wall of the first wall to be accurately ascertained. If it has an investigation of the first wall the property worth more than 250,000 the p

FIREMEN BARELY ESCAPE AWFUL

Explosion Followed--Chief Croker's Good Judgment--Loss \$200,000.

New York, Dec. 20.-A mysterious riously hart.

wrecked the big factory building, 132134 14th street just east of 6th avenue
early today and only the instinct of
Chief Croker prevented the death of
haif a hundred firemen who were
working inside of the structure.

Croker who had responded to the
third alarm, after looking at the fire
which seemed about to get beyond
control, ordered all of his men out of
the building. The last of them had
barely reached the street when a terrific explosion took place, all of the
windows front and back and portions
of the floors being blown out.

A number of firemen were hit by

In this block, was damaged by the explosion and 100 men and women, who
are studying to be officers of the orgnaization, were driven into the street.

Their building was only slightly damaged.

The structure in which the fire
broke out, was completely demolished,
the loss being nearly \$100,000. The
cause of the explosion is believed, to
have been dust but this has not been
definitely determined.

The occupants were braid and corset manufacturers. a cloth sponging
concern, an engraving company and
haif a dozen novelty manufacturers.

CONGRESS STREET

New York, Dec. 20.—A mysterious
Explosion following a fire, completely
Weeked the big factory building, 132in this block, was damaged by the ex-

BRAVE WOMAN AIDS HUSBAND

HER COOLNESS AND VALOR RE-SPONSIBLE FOR TRAPPING THIEVES

By Bullet .- Two of Trio Caught .-

band arrest him and another who had been shot.

Golden was making his rounds early today and his wife insisted she would go with him. At the store of Thompson Brothers they found a door open and Golden drew has revolver and entered, while his wife stood guard outside. He found three men and ordered them under arrest. As he started, while his wife stood guard outside. He found three men and ordered them under arrest. As he started to enable him to construct a little stretch of track upon which he could launch his machine.

"It looks like a hard winter ahead" ho said to 2. Farmer reporter today. ""m going to give up trying to fly for the present, and prepare my little home for the winter. I've got to get some money together. I've neglected my own work this summer on my

vantage of the interruption raised himself on his elbow and fired at another man. He probably fatally wounded him. The third of the party managed to escape and residents alarmed by the shooting, aided Golden to piace the injured men under ar-

MILES AN HOUR a cow in a nearby stable. The children were Mary, 6; Charles, 4; James,

As the mother peered through the flames which barred her entrance, she saw the three children lying on the floor. The daughter's clothing was a mass of flames. Dying she saw her mother and attempted to rise, but fell back with the words:

New York, Dec. 20.—That the Schirl-Brennan Gyroscope Monorali for you, Mamma."

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As the mother peered through the floored her entrance, she saw the three children lying on the floor. The daughter's clothing was a mass of flames. Dying she saw her mother and attempted to rise, but fell back with the words:

"We were just cooking breakfast for you, Mamma."

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Brashear, a noted astronomer connected with the University of Pitts burg.

Dr. Brashear declared it had been matter of discussion among scientist since Cook showed the pictures of the trip to the Pole that this fag, on the top of the world, cast no shadow. A the time Cook says he planted the flag, the sun was eight degrees and the pictures of the pictu

can nativity or descent.

(Special from United Press.) (Special from United Press.)
New Haven, Dec. 20.—Forecast:—
Generally fair tonight and Tuesday.
A disturbance central of Lake Superior is causing cloudy weather with light snow in the lake region and a slight disturbance near Jupiter, Fia. mail car rolled down a 40 foot embank, ment and the baggage car and two sleeper toppled over. Among the injured is Mrs. L. A. Bellows of Boston, who suffered a broken rib and a fractured one.

Mr. and Mrs. Hector Stewart of 228 Cottage street, are rejoicing over the arrival of a bouncing baby boy left by the stork on Saturday evening. Mother and babe are doing finely.

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Mest Point Instructors.

Liquor Licenses To Liquor licenses To be formerly lived in the state. The Leahy's formerly lived in the state. The Leahy's formerly lived in the state. The Leahy's formerly lived in New Haven. Leahy is a hard working in New Haven. Leahy's formerly lived in New Haven. Leahy is a hard working in New Haven. Leahy is producing light rain along the slight disturbance near Jupiter, Fia. A, and Miss Marguerite Wordin Hawley of 969 Fair-prevails in other districts east of the Rocky Mountains. The temperature is below freezing in all sections of the Rocky Mountains except possibly for those who allowed in the state. The Leahy's formerly lived in New Haven. Leahy is producing light rain along the slight disturbance near Jupiter, Fia. A, and Miss Country Marguerite Wordin Hawley of 969 Fair-prevails in other districts east of the Rocky Mountains. The temperature is below freezing in all sections of the Rocky Mountains and Miss.

WHITEHEAD TAKES APART HIS BIG FLYING MACHINE

Disgusted at Lack of Interest in Aerial Navigation.

Says He Has Neg'ected His Work All Summer to Prepare Machine for Flight, and Now He Must Provide for Immediate Wants of His Own

Despondent at the lack of interest shown in his efforts to master the problem of aerial navigation, Gustav Whitehead, the expert machinist and aeroplane constructor, has dismantled his latest construction and is preparing to devote his time to preparing his little, home in Tunix Hill road. Fairfield, for the winter.

Whitehead has succeededin securing the co-operation of local men after his demonstration of the machine at the Brooklawn Golf links several weeks ago. But within the last fortnight they have suddenly lost interest. He has spent all his money in the purchase of materials and in payment for labor to assist him with his machine. He had planned to build a monorall upon which he expected to get his ma-chine under sufficient headway to launch it into space, but he found the expense would be more than his mea-gre purse could stand, so abandoned his efforts.

THIEVES.

There is something pathetic in Whitehead's struggle to solve the problem of aerial navigation. He is an expert engine builder, and can construct engines of probably less weight per horse power more successfully than Burglars Were Caught Red Handed.

(Special from United Press.)

Oyster Bay, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Dorothy

he made successful from Fairfield He greater part of his life in
experimenting with various types of
flying machines, and eight years ago
created considerable excitement when
he made successful flights in Fairfield He greater all he makes with Oyster Bay, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Dorothy Golden is the heroine of this place, the home of Theodore Roosevelt, because she rescued her husband, a deputy sheriff, from three thieves who were trying to kill him early today, by clubbing one of them and helping her husband arrest him and another who had been shot.

Golden was making his rounds early "It looks like a hard winter ahead"

(Special from United Press.) Washington, Dec. 20.-An effort Republicans in Congress this winter TO RENT Five large rooms, 305 Jones avenue. T 20 b*po They are now in custody and the police believe they are members of a gang of "Yegg" men who have robbed lative and judicial appropriation bill, TO RENT.—Six room flat, SI Hough The the item of \$25,000 a year for travel-

(Special from United Press.)
Pittsburg, Dec. 20.—That Dr. Frederick A. Cook, admitted to him that he had in one particular "faked" the picture of the American flag at the North Pole, as shown in lectures, is the statement here of Dr. John A. Brashear, a noted astronomer connected with the University of Pittsburg.

matter of discussion among scientists since Cook showed the pictures of the trip to the Pole that this fag, on the top of the world, cast no shadow. At the time Cook says he planted the flag, the sun was eight degrees and should have cast a long shadow, ex-perts say. Dr. Brashear stated that he asked Dr. Cook about the picture and that the doctor declared the flag he photographed was really a minia-ture affair and that he had it enlarged for his picture studies.
"When Cook was here lecturing I al

so asked him what sextant he used in making observations, and he replied that he could not remember. This to me is a peculiar mark of forgetful-ness," Dr. Brashear declared. Dr. Brashear does not believe that either Cook or Commander Peary can prove conclusively that they reached the Pole, but apparently has lost faith in Dr. Cook.

Small Vox Patient At Liberty Again; Cost City About \$200

Ohio, relative to the application of another Syrian, who was testing his case.

Only a few days ago, Attorney Moore and the clerks at the local court received a communication from Richard K. Campbell, chief of the division of naturalization in Washington notifying them to disregard any requests by officials of his division regarding the issuing of papers to any white person or persons of African nativity or descent.

Charles Newum, the smallpox pattent who has been at the isolation hospital since October 8, when he was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. Was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. Was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. Was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. Was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. Was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. Was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. Was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. Was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. Was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. Was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital was discovered at the Bridgeport hospital. tion laws he could be. He had the disease when he landed in this country although it was in such a stage that it was not discovered. The cost of Nawum to the city has been about

MISS HAWLEY WILL WED WEST POINT INSTRUCTOR

CITY HELPLESS PREVENT DEATH TRAP ON STRATFORD AVE.

City Attorney Finds That Last Common Council Completely Gave Away the City's Ri hts -- No Ground upon Which to Ask Court for Injunction to Prevent Laying of Trolley Tracks Put Down on Sunday, in the Night Season--Statement by Mayor Buckingham.

Beginning at midnight Saturday, he Connecticut Company spent the laying of the spur trace across the sidewalk on Stratford avenue said, the Connecticut Company spent the balance of Sunday, a day when civil process does not run, in establishing that the matter had been refern the so-called "death trap" across the sidewalk at Stratford avenue. Indignation ran high among citi-

zens this morning when it became known that the "job" put through by the Lee administration had been finally completed. -

There was no need for the company to work in darkness and secrecy, nor on Sunday, however, for the reason that City Atterney Thomas M. Cul-linan had already advised Mayor Buckingham that the city has no remedy. As the mayor is not addict-ed to grandstanding the company had nothing to apprehend and might have laid its tracks on a week day at a proper season.

But no effort upon the part of the

But no effort upon the part of the city to enjoin the work was to be feared, because City Atoorney Thomas M. Cullinan, after a most exhaustive investigation of the law, had advised Mayor Buckingham that the last Common Council, directed by Mayor Lee, had completely parted with all of the city's rights. He also said that he could not find a tangible ground upon which, in an application for an injunction, he would have any standing before a court.

He said, "The city, in the exercise of the legal right which it has to determine the location of tracks on the highways, has, by its Common County cil, adopted a resolution empowering the street railway company to lay it tracks across the sidewalk at the point and in addition a contract he been made between the company at the city by which agreement one the privileges or rights along the

him by the mayor to see whether there

the company could be prevented from laying the tracks across the sidewalk. He added that he had satisfied him-

self that no legal steps could be taken to prevent the laying of the tracks and that there was no ground on which to base an application for an injunc-

was any legal proceedings by

carrying carrying fording any basis in the matter of locating tracks are ordinarily few at the best. The company prepares its plans. The plans are submitted to the Common Council. The Common Council in an injunction by a court. Mayor Buckingham said this morning in the city attorney that the common council in may refuse its approval. The matter may then go before the railroad commissioners. This was what accommissioners. This was what accommissioners. This was what accommissioners, so far a menace to pedestrians as hindrance to traffic The rule of the connecticut Co., to get the tracks that the Connecticut Co. when it is for its found to the connecticut Co.

The railroad commissioners, so far as the Stratford avenue crossing was concerned, were powerless to grant the permission. The city owns a piece of land between the sidewalk and the land owned by the company. The railroad commissioners had no power over this strip.

But when Mayor Lee and the Council took the matter out of the hands of the railroad commissioners and granted the company the necessary permission, this ended the contest.

UNCLASSIFIED

avenue. T 20 b * 0

TO RENT.—Five room flat. 347 Wil-mot avenue, \$12.60. D. R. Whitney, 1025 Main St. T 20 b * o FOR SALE .- Six room cottage on Sea-

view avenue, lot 56x120, \$2,500. D. R. Whitney, 1025 Main St.

FOR SALE.—Building lot on Cather-ine St. Whitney, 1025 Main St. T 20 b • o THE FOOT SPECIALIST that cures. Dr. Mansfield, 201 Meigs Bldg. Afternoons and Sundays.

LOST.-Carbide hand lantern from chief's motor car. Finder please return to Fire Headquarters, Mid-dle street, Board of Fire Commis-

JUST RECEIVED: A large shipment of birch singing canaries. Make suitable Xmas presents. Courtney, 116 Wall street, upstairs. Open

DOGS, DOGS, DOGS, All kinds of small dogs, Nothing better for a Christmas present. Come see them. 643 North avenue. Tel. 2812.

WANTED-Mould makers. Address Rogers Silver Plate Co., Danbury, Ct. T 18 b*o

TO RENT-Six rooms; improvements; 103 Black Rock ave. Inquire on premises or 636 Lafayette St. BARGAINS IN CALENDARS, printed

and delivered in five hours' notice.
Large assortment for all trades. Any
quantity. Il Sole Pub. Co., 100 Congress St. T 17 s * o

FOR SALE.—Fisher, Behning, Gabler and Mathusheck Upright Pianos for sale cheap. Dial & Lee Music Co., 84 Cannon St. T 16 * tf o

FOR SALE.—Here is a chance to make money. 4 family house, 20 rooms, rents \$900 per year. Leave your ad-dress at Farmer Publishing C., of-FOR SALE .- Violin, celles, violes, bass

violos. Prices from \$5 up. Sold on easy payments. Instruments taken in exchange. Fotch Plano Co., \$44 Noble Ave. T 10 t * 0 FOR SALE.—Beautiful upright ma-hogany plano. Will sacrifice \$100 if sold at once. F. Fotch Plano Co...

844 Noble Ave. WANTED-Eight good trimmers for Interior work to go to Rhinebeck, N. Y., John Gough, 839 Railroad avenue., City.

PIANOS FOR SALE.—25 will be sold at a saving of \$125.00. Chickering Bros. Steinway, McPhail, R. S. How-ard, Milton, also piano players. We have pianos as low as \$90.90. Easy payments if desired. F. Fotch Piano Co., \$44 Noble Ave. T 10 t * o

CARD OF THANKS. We desire to thank through the col-umns of this paper, the relatives and neighbors and also the friends who so kindly sent flowers and who assisted in the illness and death of our beloved

MR. AND MRS. JOHN COYNEL

WANTED.—Store boys for Xmas de-livering. John Reck & Son. a* CHRISTMAS GIFTS at reasonable prices. J. N. McNamara, 923 East Main St. T 20 r*o LOST-Pocketbook containing ward at 96 Caroline street,

PRICES HAVE GONE UP and will go higher. Cover your boiler and pipes now. J. F. Welsh, 114 Kossuth St. 2450

PRICES have gone up and will go higher, cover your boiler and pipes now. J. F. Welsh. 114 Kossuth street. H 18 * tf o 5 3 1

OUR SPECIALTY—Country Pork, Pig's Hocks, and Brautwurst, at Nagel's, E. Main St. G 15 * uf o 135

GUINEA HENS, ducks, reasting chickens, broilers, fowl, liver pudding, sausage meat, bologna. B.m. mos & Biltz. G15*1850 WHEN YOU WANT a good Derby or soft hat, see Jim at \$74 East Main street. You know who, James J. Sheehan. D 14 *tfo 1 3 5

PRATT'S CAFE, 137 Fairfield Ave., is sure to have what you want in ales, wines and liquors. Do not forget the fine free lunch served dally. G 28 * 1 3 5 o

OH LADIES! Don't leave it all to the men, we urge you to use Fon's exeroser, paysical development is superbily attractive, a sweet face will follow beauty of form, exercisers 75c to \$3, at O'Neill's.

FOR SALE.—Square plano \$10, tuned and moved free. Violin \$5, cost \$12. Cello \$15. F. Fotch Plano Co., 844 Noble Ave. T 10 t • o

CONSTIPATED? Billious? Sick Headache? Casca Laxine Tablets knock them all. TO RENT.—Apartments at 302 Golden Hill St. Seven rooms and bath. En-quire of owner, 441 Washington Ave.

FOR SALE—Block of 40 rooms, rent for \$1,335 per year. Good paying property and a widow can't take care of same. Address Farmer office.

TYPEWRITING - Minneographing, Notary Public. Sears, 108 Meigs Bidg.

H 27 *t f. o TO RENT.—Desk room with roll top desk. 416 Warner Building.

BRIDGEPORT Housecleaning Bureau. Ashes, rubbish removed. 483 New-field avenue, Telephone 1316-5, Raiph L. Miller, Prop. FOR SALE.—Single house, 7 rooms, good bargain. Leave your address, Farmer Office. H 27 * tf. o

IF YOU are thinking of buying a sewing machine for Christmas, try a New Home. No other like/it, no other as good, it is the sewing machine of quality. We give free instructions, one week's trial. Orders by mail or telephone promptly attended to. New Home Agency, 243 State, up 1 flight. Tel. 1315-5.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO BRIDGE-PORT HOUSEKEEPERS. We want you to know that we have no solicitors representing is in Bridgeport but that any furniture or department store will take orders for all work done by us and guarantee satisfaction. Consult your local dealer before sending your old feather bids out to be made into folding feather mattresses. Folding Mattress Co. New Haven, Conn., formerly of Bridgeport.

TO UNCLE SAM AGAINST ZELAYA DENIES IN COURT CHARGE THAT

LIZZIE SAID SHE WAS WAITING FOR HER WHITE 'LOUIS'

(Special from United Press.)
Washington, Dec. 29.—A formal request for the recognition of the Nicaraguan revolutionary government, made by General Estrada, is now in the lands of the State Department. Estrada declared he will not accept any congress and the intimation is that he will not accept any congress and the intimation is that he will fight if either Madris or Irias is chosen. The telegram was dated December 13 and was received from Silueffaile by way of Colon. It is as the first of the state of the

Injured in Railroad Wreck

(Special from United Press.)

Tucson, Ariz, Dec. 20.—Thirteen persons are suffering from serious injuries today as the result of the wreck of the Southern Pacific Golden State Limited, three miles west of Benson, yesterday. Engineer Thomas Walker and Fireman P. W. Baer, both of Tucson, were killed but it is not believed that the injuries of any of the others will prove fatal.

The train was derajied while speeding around a curve. The engine and mail car rolled down a 40 foot embank, ment and the baggage car and two aleeper toppled over. Among the injured is Mrs. L. A. Bellows of Boston, who suffered a broken rib and a fractured one.

All the daughter and the shoemaker and the shoemaker and the shoemaker and the shoemaker they would substantate her charge. She said she took the cloth from the person of Miss Thomas.

With a fur hat on her head and a long blue military coat lined with red and trimmed with brass buttons Mrs. Mary Leahy of Norman street appearate with drunkenness and caused him to be sent to jail for 10 days. He was also fined to adopt the work of the with the sentence. She wanted it longer. She said he made life unbearable for her and she could get along without him. She has five children most of whom are in homes throughout the state. The Leahy's formerly lived in New Haven. Leahy is a hard worker, and a little fond of the bottle.

FORESTERS TO ACT.

A special meeting of Court Nathaniel.